I.C.P.O. Calendar

10-18 March 2005

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (Mar 10 - 18, 2005)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year)
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10/03/2005: Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active March 10-24th as CT3/DL3KWR and CT3/DL3KWF from the island of Madeira (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001). They plan to operate mostly on the WARC bands, 80 meters and CW in their evenings. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de respectively. [Tnx 425DXN]

10/03/2005: Four members of the Vital Sparks Group (MM0VSG) will be active from the Island of Arran as MM0VSG/p from March 10th to 13th. They will be active on all bands and modes at various times during their stay. Location details are, SCOTIA CS-14, IOSA CL-01, IOTA EU-123, Lat. 55? 27' 04" N and Lon. 5? 15' 09" W. QSL information is via the bureau to MM0VSG or direct to GM7WED Ross Feilen, 131 Croftend Avenue, Glasgow, Scotland. [Tnx MM0DFV]

10/03/2005: A group of Indonesian operators will activate a new IOTA in the Laut Kecil Islands Group (OC-new, WW Loc. OI75VO) March 10-15th. They will operate as YB7M from Marabatua (Moresses) Island. The group will consist of Kadek YB9BU, Iwan YB7WZ, Jimmy YB7KNV, Yunus YB7JO, Ferry YB0AR, John YC7JFX, Fuadi YF7MI, and Zul YC7MC. The team will have 3-4 stations and will consist of TS-430 with 5 element tribander, TS-450 with G5RV, FT-100 with dipole and FT-897 with a dipole. All stations will be running 100 watts. The group plans to operate for 6 days and will be on 20-10m. QSL via YB9BU (Kadek Kariana SP., P.O. Box 106, Singaraja 81100 Bali, Indonesia). [Tnx OPDX & IREF]

11/03/2005: Michael, DK5NA, will be active March 11-18th as OZ/DK5NA from R?m? Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-001). Activity will be on the low bands, CW, RTTY and possibly 137 kHz. QSL via DK5NA, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx DK5NA]

10/03/2005: Sergey, UA0SE, will be active March 10-13th as UE0SZB from the Irkutsk Area (RDA reference IR-26 for the Russian Districts Award), Irkutskaya oblast (IR). QSL via UA0SE, direct or bureau. [Tnx RDA News]

11/03/2005: Eli, 4Z5NB, will activate many areas on his way to a short vacation. Starting Friday March 11th at 05:00 UTC he will activate the following: YZ Region - J-09-YZ, J-08, K-08, K-09, L-09, L-10, M-10, M-09, N-09, N-08. KT Region - N-08-KT, N-07, O-07. HG Region - O-07-HG. On his way back, same day (March 11th) afternoon 13:00 UTC he will activate the following: HG Region - O-07-HG. KT Region - O-07-KT, N-07, M-07, L-07. YZ Region - L-08-YZ, K-08. All activities will be on the usual frequency: 14267 khz. QSL via 4Z5NB (QRZ.com) [Tnx 4X4JU]

12/03/2005: If the weather permits Saturday, March 12th, F5JNE will be active as homecall/p, with Claude F5MCC, from the Castle of La Brulerie (DFCF reference 45-020, Canton of Chateau Renard DDCF 45-07 and city of Douchy Zip Code 45220, Department Loiret/45). QSL via home call, direct

or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

12/03/2005: Look for F5MSB/p to be active, weather permitting, March 12th from the Castle of Espas (DFCF reference 32-031). Activity will be on 40 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5RRR]

12/03/2005: Achille IZ8CKS, Salvatore IK8NTN and Andrea IK8GDA will be active March 12-13th as IC8/homecall from the island of Vivara (IOTA EU-031, IIA NA-005). They will operate 40 through 6 meter SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

12/03/2005: Boris, UA4HLX, will be active March 12-13th as UE4HDA from Zheleznodorozhny, Samara Area (RDA reference SR-01 for the Russian Districts Award), Samarskaya oblast (SR). QSL via RW4HB, direct or bureau. [Tnx RDA News]

12/03/2005: Look for Nenad, VE2/VE3EXY/p, to be active March 12-13th from the Island of Orleans (IOTA NA-128, CISA QC-007, WAZ 05, ITU 09). Activity will be on 40, 20 and 10 meter CW and SSB. Typically 10 or 25 kHz up from the band edge for CW, 14.260 kHz for SSB. Nenad will also participate in the BERU contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx VE3EXY]

12/03/2005: In conjunction with the KP1-5 Project, W5NWR/T will operate from the Tishomingo National Wildlife Refuge located in Johnston County, Oklahoma, March 12-13th. This operation is the first for the W5-National Wildlife Refuge ARC. Others will follow and are intended to raise awareness of the benefits of national wildlife refuges and the KP1-5 Project (www.kp1-5.com). This operation will coincide with the Oklahoma QSO Party. W5NWR/T will not be in the contest but will be glad to provide Johnston County for those who are. QSL via NA5U. [Tnx 425DXN]

12/03/2005: Just a short note to confirm there will be three ZL6 Stations operational during the RSGB Commonwealth CW Contest (March 12-13th) namely: ZL6A - N.Z.A.R.T. Headquarters Station - Operators John, ZL1BHQ, Ken, ZL1AIH. This station will issue /HQ after the sent serial number. QSL via ZL2GJ; ZL6FF - FISTS CW Club Downunder N.Z. - Operator Jakey, ZL2JKY/G3JKY - QSL via ZL3CED direct or bureau; and ZL6QH - Quartz Hill Wellington Club - Operator Brian, ZL1AZE - QSL via QRZ.com. Hopefully many VK / ZL FISTS CW Club members (over 125) will show up, so you may end up with the biggest participation by VK / ZL ever. [Tnx ZL2TX]

14/03/2005: Bob W4OWY and Mark W9OP will be active from the island of Antigua (IOTA NA-100) between March 14-20th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters. However, their focus will be on 160-30 meters. QSLs go to their home callsigns. [Tnx OPDX]

14/03/2005: Operators JA9BV and JA3DYU will be vacationing in Vietnam during middle March. Look for them to be active as XV3BV and XV3DYU from the ancient town of Hoi An, March 14-17th. Activity will be on mostly SSB and CW. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 3515, 7014, 14040, 21040 kHz; SSB - 3540, 7040, 14160, 21160 KHz. QSL via the bureau or direct to their home calls. [Tnx OPDX]

15/03/2005: The Microlite Penguins DXpedition Team of VP8GEO (South Georgia) and VP8THU (South Sandwich Islands) fame will activate the Kerguelen Islands (IOTA AF-048, DIFO FT-011). A multinational team of twelve highly experienced operators, consisting of AG9A, GI0NWG, HB9ASZ,

M0DXR, N6MZ, N0TT, SP5XVY, VE3EJ, VK6DXI, W3WL, W7EW, and 9V1YC, will operate on the HF bands between March 15 and April 2, 2005. "This DXpedition is funded entirely by the twelve team members and a generous and exclusive grant by the Northern California DX Foundation," said James Brooks, 9V1YC, DXpedition Team Leader. "There are no other club, foundation, individual, manufacturer or QSL sponsors." [Tnx RX9TX]

15/03/2005: Kanzi-san, JA4ENL, will be QRV March 15-19th as V85NL from Ambran's (V85SS) station on Brunei (IOTA OC-088). Activity will be on 160, 80, 40, 10, 20, 17 and 15 meters, mostly on CW. QSL via home call. [Tnx K1XN & the Golist]

16/03/2005: Bill, VK4FW, will be active March 16-21st as VK4FW/p from Little Solitary Island (IOTA OC-194). Equipment will be Cushcraft r5 and a full size quarter wave vertical for 40m. Bill will spend a fair amount of time on CW, as usual, to get as many a new one as is possible. Frequency ... about 5 - 7 from the bottom of the bands on CW. QSL direct to his home call (P.O. Box 513, Nambour, 4560, Australia), with either $2usd or irc or $2euro. [Tnx VK4FW]

17/03/2005: Jose Gamboa, CO3VK (http://www.qsl.net/iz8ebi/co3vkINFO.htm) will be active March 17-20th as CO3VK/4 from La Juventud (NA-056). Jose will be working with the "Charangas de Bejucal" show (http://www.angerona.cult.cu/) team and plans to operate in his spare time on 20 and 40 metres SSB. QSL via IZ8EBI. Jose might be joined by other 2-3 operators, who will be signing homecall/4. [Tnx 425DXN]

18/03/2005: Kuro-san, JH0MGJ, will be active March 18-20th as AL5A/NH2 from Guam (IOTA OC-026). Activity will be on 40 to 10 meter CW and SSB. Kuro-san reports that he will be listening for weak stations in NA and EU. This operation will also count for Orote Point lighthouse (references: TWLHD KH2-001, ARLHS GUM-001 and WLOTA LH-0064). QSL via JH0MGJ, direct or through the JARL bureau. [Tnx OPDX]

18/03/2005: Operators JA9BV and JA3DYU will be vacationing in Taipei, Taiwan (IOTA AS-020), March 18th and will operate as BW2/JA9BV and BX2/JA3DYU until the 23rd. Activity will be on mostly SSB and CW. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 3515, 7014, 14040, 21040 kHz; SSB - 3540, 7040, 14160, 21160 KHz. QSL via the bureau or direct to their home calls. [Tnx OPDX]

18/03/2005: Ari, OH5DX (ex-OH1EH), will be active March 18-20th as OH0Z from the Aland Islands (EU-002). Activity will be CW and SSB on all bands, including an effort in the Russian DX Contest (March 19-20th). QSL via OH5DX. [Tnx OPDX]

18/03/2005: A JA group will be heading to the Pacific islands for their DX-vacation. Activity will be from Majuro Atoll (OC-029) between March 18-28th. Operators mentioned are: Shigeo-san JA1JQY (V73JY), Hisashi-san JA1KJW (V73KJ), Yasumasa-san JA1HEE (V73HE) and JI1FPO (V73OP). The team will do their best to make many QSOs with USA East Coast and EU stations on 160 and 80 meters. Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY (if possible), using the following suggested frequencies: CW - 1822, 3507, 7007, 10107, 14007, 18077, 21007, 24897 and 28007 kHz; SSB - 3798, 7080, 14170, 18130, 21270, 24940 and 28470 kHz. QSL via operator's instructions; it may be their home callsign. PLEASE NOTE that this is not a big expedition. All operators will use their own transceivers, and

the antennas will be wire based. It was also mentioned that there is a peculiar noise on the island, and operators may have a hard time in the reception of your signals. If so, please be patient during their operation. [Tnx OPDX]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

01/05/2005: Look for GM0GRC to be active May 1st from Great Berneray Island (IOTA EU-010, IOSA HI-27, SCOTIA OH-12), Outer Hebrides. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 10 meter SSB. QSL via G0RCI. [Tnx IOTW]

02/05/2005: Alan, GB0SK, will be active May 2-5th from St. Kilda (EU-059). Activity will be on 80-10m SSB. All contacts will be confirmed from St. Kilda, only send QSL if you want one returned direct. QSL via G0RCI. [Tnx IOTW]

24/05/2005: Dave, N2NL, will be active May 24-31st as NK4AA from Key West (IOTA NA-062, USI FL-040S, Monroe county), Florida. He will also be participating in the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th). QSL via N2NL (QRZ.com). [Tnx N2NL]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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